AMENDMENTS

Amendments to the Specification:

Please replace Paragraph [0021] on Page 5, with the following rewritten paragraph:

-- Light blocking apparatus 100 is of sufficient width, height and shape to substantially cover the sunlight transmission area while allowing safe operation of the vehicle. Preferably, light blocking apparatus 100 is formed from a generally flat but flexible material which is sufficient to reduce or eliminate any sunlight from being transmitted through the material to the vehicle operator. In one embodiment of the present invention as seen in FIG. 1-E, light blocking apparatus 100 is formable to be folded or rolled by a vehicle operator so that the apparatus 100 can be stored for use as needed. In another embodiment of the present invention, as illustrated in FIG. 1-G and FIG. 2-A; the material comprising apparatus 100 is formed from bubble wrap 102 coupled to at least one or more exterior reflective shield 104. --

Please replace Paragraph [0022] on Page 6, with the following rewritten paragraph:

-- One of the advantages of the present invention is that it is compact, light weight and a single piece material which is easily removably from (and insertable into) the sunlight transmission area 16 when needed. In this regard, the present invention further utilizes a rear view mirror coupling system 101 which removably secures the present invention to a rear surface of the rear view mirror 12. In one embodiment, the rear view mirror coupling system 101 comprises at least a first hook coupler 101a and a first pile coupler 101b which are adapted to be securely engaged to a rear surface of the rear view mirror 12 and the material 100. The first hook coupler 101a and the first pile coupler 101b may be formed from conventional ~~Velcro~~ VELCRO brand or hook and loop tape fastening systems. Preferably, the first pile coupler is attached to the apparatus 100. In another embodiment, the first hook coupler 101a is placed on the rear view mirror 12 in a vertical orientation relative to any horizontal surface while the first pile coupler 101b is placed on the material 100 in a horizontal orientation relative to the same surface. --

Please replace Paragraph [0023] on Page 6, with the following rewritten paragraph:

-- Optionally, the present invention also contemplates a visor coupling system which removably secures the present invention to a rear surface of each vehicle visor 14. In one embodiment, the visor coupling system 103 comprises at least a second hook coupler 103a and a second pile coupler 103b which are adapted to be securely engaged to a surface of each visor 14 and the material. The first hook coupler 101a and the first pile coupler 101b may be formed from conventional ~~Velcro~~ VELCRO brand or hook and loop tape fastening systems. Preferably, the first pile coupler 103b is attached to the apparatus 100. In another embodiment, the second hook coupler 103a is placed on the rear view mirror 12 in a vertical orientation relative to any horizontal surface while the second pile coupler 103b is placed on the material 100 in a horizontal orientation relative to the same surface. --

Please replace Paragraph [0027] on Page 8, with the following rewritten paragraph:

-- Additionally, as illustrated in FIG. 1-~~H~~G, a strip of pile tape or pile coupler can be attached to the vehicle's console 20 near the driver which would allow for convenient storage of the present invention. The pile strip is preferred in this situation, as the pile is soft and will not catch or tear other fabrics which come into contact with the pile strip. --

Please replace Paragraph [0028] starting on Page 8, with the following rewritten paragraph:

-- An optional accessory shield 200 may also be introduced which provides additional sun blocking capabilities and is adapted to engage the light blocking apparatus 100 and at least one visor 14 through an accessory shield coupling system. As seen in FIG. 2-A, the front view of the light blocking system 100 is shown having two hook couplers 101a on a rear surface of the system 100 (dashed lines indicating exemplary placement on the rear surface) which are adapted to engage with the center pile coupler 201b on the optional accessory shield 200 (as seen in FIG. 2-B). When both the light blocking system 100 and the accessory shield 200 are placed within the light transmission area 16 (as seen in FIG. 2-C), the accessory shield's pile couplers 201c are adapted to engage hook couplers 201d on each visor ~~201d~~. Again, the hook and pile couplers variously mentioned may be formed from conventional ~~Velcro~~ VELCRO brand or hook and loop tape fastening systems. And, again, the use of opposing vertical and horizontal strips eliminates the need for exact positioning of the present invention, and instead, allows the present invention to be moved to accommodate the driving conditions, the vehicle and the vehicle operator. Notably, with use of the optional accessory shield, two or three inches (or more) of sun protection can be added to the bottom of each visor to provide more protection to the operator, particularly when the sun is coming up, or going down, or when the operator is of small stature. --

Please replace Paragraph [0029] on Page 9, with the following rewritten paragraph:

-- Finally, the present invention contemplates that more than one strip of pile tape or pile coupler can be attached to the vehicle's console 20 near the driver which would allow for convenient storage of the light blocking system and/or the accessory shield. Thus, as illustrated in FIG. 2-D, a strip of pile strip 205b or pile hook 205a can be attached to the vehicle's console 20 near the driver which would allow for convenient storage of the present invention. The pile strip 205b is preferred in this situation, as the pile is soft and carpet-like, and will not catch or tear other fabrics which come into contact with the pile strip during normal operation or use of the vehicle. --

Please replace Paragraph [0031] on Page 15, with the following rewritten paragraph:

-- A light blocking system, apparatus and device which substantially reduces or eliminates light transmission from occurring in that area surrounding a vehicle's rear view mirror between the vehicle's visors. In one embodiment,~~,~~ the present invention is of sufficient width and height to substantially cover the sunlight transmission area while allowing operation of the vehicle, the apparatus including a notch adapted to receive an arm which connects the rear view

mirror to the main viewing window; and a coupling system on the apparatus, the coupling system adapted to removably secure the apparatus into and from the sunlight transmission area. --